CHAPTER NO. 479

SENATE BILL NO. 926

By Crowe

Substituted for: House Bill No. 814

By Cochran

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-29-117, relative to medical laboratory personnel.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-29-117(d)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(d)(1) The board may issue to an applicant a temporary license as a medical technician, medical technologist, special analyst, or medical laboratory director who has successfully completed the academic course work, clinical training, and all board designated requirements for the license sought, and who is scheduled to take the next available board approved examination.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-29-117(d), is amended by deleting subdivision (6) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(d)(6) The recipient of a temporary license issued under the provisions of this subsection shall work only under the direct supervision of licensed medical laboratory personnel appointed by the laboratory supervisor as preceptor to the temporary licensee. This preceptor will hold a license equal to or higher than the temporary licensee's level of licensure.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 26, 2005

APPROVED this 20th day of June 2005

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

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